# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

MELISSA FUHRMANN and JEFFREY

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Plaintiffs,

**ORDER** 

12-CV-1361 (ADS)(ARL)

-against-

EAA INSPECTION SERVICES, INC., and ROBERT PARISI,

Defendants.

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## **APPEARANCES:**

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#### **SPATT, District Judge**.

On March 30, 2012, Plaintiffs Melissa Fuhrmann and Jeffrey Fuhrmann ("the Plaintiffs") commenced this action against Defendants EAA Inspection Services, Inc., and Robert Parisi ("the Defendants"), alleging violations of the Fair Labor Standards Act ("FLSA"), 29 U.S.C.§§ 201 *et seq.*, the New York Labor Law ("NYLL"), sections 650 *et seq.*, including Part 142, section 142-2.2 ("Overtime Rate") and section 142-2.4 ("Spread of Hours Pay") of Title 12 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations promulgated by the Commissioner of Labor pursuant to Minimum Wage Act (Article 19 of the New York State Labor Law). On

April 25, 2012, the Defendants moved pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(6) to

dismiss Count III of the Plaintiffs' Complaint, which alleged violations of the NYLL for failure

to pay "spread-of-hours" compensation. The Defendants argued that because the Plaintiffs

admitted in their Complaint that their base rate of pay substantially and sufficiently exceeded the

New York State minimum wage, the Plaintiffs' spread-of-hours claim should be dismissed as a

matter-of-law.

By letter dated May 25, 2012, the Plaintiffs informed the Court that they consented to the

dismissal of their spread-of-hours claim. In the letter, the Plaintiffs cited to the Court's decision

in Sosnowy v. A. Perri Farms, Inc., 764 F. Supp. 2d 457 (E.D.N.Y. 2011), which held that "the

spread-of-hours provision is properly limited to enhancing the compensation of those receiving

only the minimum required by law." Id. at 474 (quoting Almeida v. Aguinaga, 500 F. Supp. 2d

366, 370 (S.D.N.Y. 2007)). Accordingly, the Court grants the Defendants' motion to dismiss

Count III of the Plaintiffs' Complaint, asserting violations of the NYLL spread-of-hours

provision.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: Central Islip, New York

October 1, 2012

/s/ Arthur D. Spatt

ARTHUR D. SPATT

United States District Judge

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